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A silicon carbide sintered body, wherein the porosity obtained from areas of silicon carbide particles and silicon particles in a sectional polished surface of the silicon carbide sintered body is greater than 15% and less than 30%, when the porosity (%) equals (the area of silicon particles/ (the area of silicon particles + the area of silicon carbide particles)) x 100; and a content of residual silicon is less than 4% to a total volume of the silicon carbide sintered body.